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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Philippe Gatepin

SERIAL NO.: 09/836,096 EXAMINER: David J. Czekaj

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2005, please amend the application as follows: